

LONG ISLAND SOUND (COUNTY ROAD 48) Town of Southold, County of Suffolk, NY Emergency Shoreline Protection

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DESCRIPTION

County Road 48 is one of only two vehicular access routes to the eastern point of the north fork of Long Island. It also houses major utilities, including electrical lines. Recent coastal storms have caused shoreline erosion along the road at the project location. The threat to the road is along one undeveloped lot, where the upland area is eroded within twenty feet of the edge of the road. The purpose of this Continuing Authorities Program (CAP), Section 14 project is to determine federal interest in protecting this area of County Road 48, to formulate a plan of protection, and to proceed to construction.

AUTHORIZATION

Section 14 of the Flood Control Act of 1946, as amended [33 U.S.C. 701(r)]

STATUS

The Feasibility Phase was initiated in July 2007. The Initial Appraisal Report (IAR), presenting the project alternatives and environmental effects, was completed in June 2008. It recommends construction of a sheetpile bulkhead along the road and the undeveloped lot (for 100 feet), with tie-ins to existing bulkheads protecting homes between the road and the cove. The IAR was approved by the North Atlantic Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in April 2009. Execution of a Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) or Suffolk County is indefinite, since the county legislator representing the area in which the project is located opposes the project. This effort has been suspended due to a lack of Non-Federal interest.

STUDY COST

 Federal (Feasibility and D&I)
 \$587,500

 Non-Federal (D&I)
 \$262,500

 Total
 \$850,000

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CONGRESSIONAL INFORMATION

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